

REMARKS

Currently, claims 1-8, 10-32, 34-35, and 37-43 are pending in the application. Claims 34-35 and 37-40 have been cancelled.

The Examiner has required that Applicant restrict to one of the two identified inventions set forth in the Office Action dated August 9, 2006, and then elect to prosecute one of the those two inventions.

Breakdown of Claims

As Applicant understands the requirement of the Office Action, the two available inventions are:

- I. Claims 1-8, 10-32 and 41-43, Drawn to a visualization that represents relationships between user icons and associates, classified in class 715, subclass 706.
- II. Claims 34-35 and 37-40, Drawn to a specific method of voice communication between users, classified in class 715, subclass 753

In response to the Examiner's Restriction Requirement set forth in the Office Action dated August 9, 2006, Applicant elects to prosecute Group I as set forth above.

SUMMARY

Applicant believes that the above remarks are fully responsive to the Office Action dated August 9, 2006. If the Examiner has any questions, Applicant respectfully requests that the Examiner contact the undersigned by telephone at (408) 720-8300.

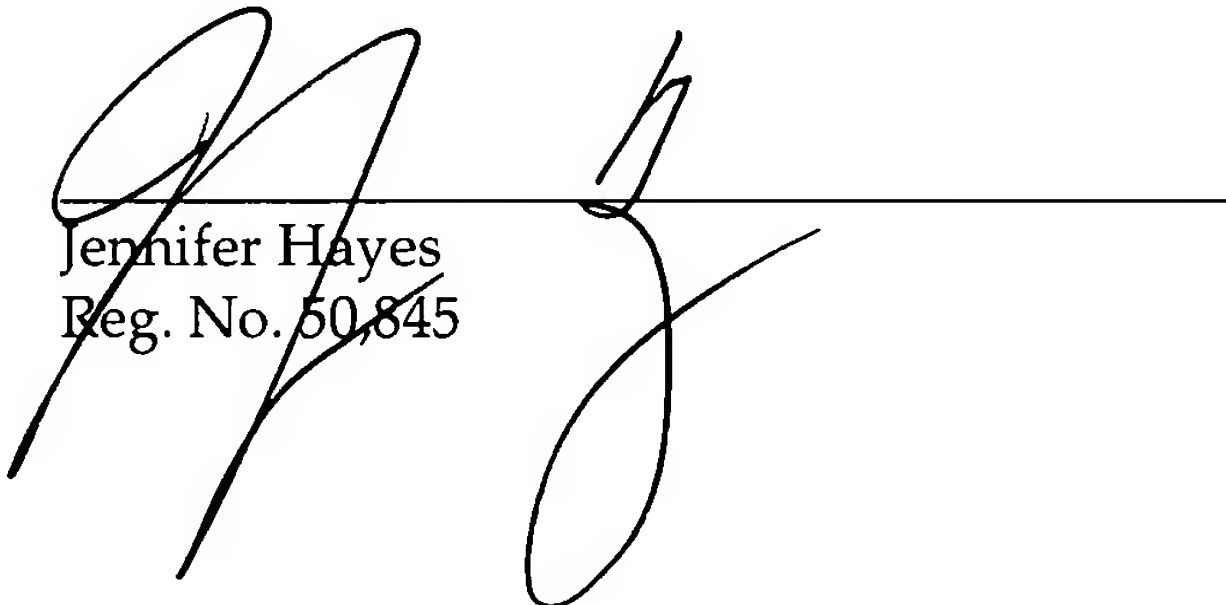
DEPOSIT ACCOUNT AUTHORIZATION

Please charge any shortages and credit any overages to Deposit Account No. 02-2666.

Respectfully submitted,

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